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Catholic Evidence

"But Catholics Go To Church Because They Have To"

YES, we have to. The Church commands that we assist at Mass 38 times a year—52 Sundays and six weekdays which are special Feasts known as Holy Days of Obligation. But to illustrate that Catholics go ONLY because they have to is unjust and untrue. This is not a mere statement. It is a fact which you can prove to yourself in an easy and interesting manner.

If you happen to be in the vicinity of any Catholic Church large or small, urban or suburban, on a Thursday afternoon or evening which immediately precedes the first Friday of any month, step in through the door and look about. You are amazed to find the church thronged with people to some extent in line along the sides, some praying in pews, some leaving others coming in.

What are all these people doing on a Thursday afternoon? They are taking time off from their jobs, their shopping, their pleasures, to go to Confession so that they may receive Holy Communion at Mass on the following morning which is the first Friday of the month.

Do these people have to do this? Not a bit of it! Just once a year is the requirement for Confession and Communion. Yet at nearly every Catholic Church in the land these same crowds are going to Church on a Thursday and a Friday every month freely, willingly, lovingly, as they do many other uncommanded things—for the honor and glory of God.

The Church gives each Catholic the satisfaction—the correct foundation but it's a foundation. How well he builds on that foundation depends upon the individual and the grace of God.

IF YOU WERE WRONG in regard to Catholic church-going perhaps it is a wrong about other Catholic practices and beliefs. It was for the purpose of explaining to you things from the viewpoint of the people who actually believe and do them, that our little Society was formed. Won't you, therefore, take advantage of our offer to explain to you in brief manner the why and wherefore of many Catholic subjects?

(Catholic Information Society of Northburgh, Pa.)

CATHOLICS AT CHURCH

FIVE YEARS AGO

MOVIE OF THE MASS

FEAST DAYS

SCENES FROM "THE ETERNAL GIFT"



Photographs from the majestic ten-reel sound-motion picture of the Solemn Catholic Mass, "The Eternal Gift," first ever made. At the Offertory (upper left): Father James R. Keane, O.S.M., famed founder of the Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Sorrowful Mother, Celebrant of the Mass, holding the Sacred Chalice, assisted by Father Hugh Calkins, O.S.M., who has charge of the morning prayers, Deacon of the Mass, (upper right) Gilbert Rosewood, Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen, well remembered speaker and author, Narrator in the film. (Lower) His Excellency, Most Reverend Samuel A. Stritch, D.D., Archbishop of Chicago, being filmed by a camera crew as he appears in the production, giving it his full approval.

According To The Doctor

A serious underemphasis upon alcohol as a cause of mortality is revealed in recent studies and surveys made by Dr. Calvin S. Schmidt of the University of Washington and Dr. Lawrence Kolb, Assistant Surgeon-General of the United States.

Dr. Schmidt believes that alcohol has become a serious public health problem, and that its relationship to poverty, delinquency and crime have been obscured by social and legal factors, inseparable from the problem itself. The number of deaths recorded as due to alcoholism is much lower than the actual number due to this cause, he points out.

Out of consideration for the family and friends of deceased alcoholic patients, physicians are inclined to record their deaths as due to some other cause whenever it is possible he adds.

In spite of this the figures are given for 1937 show that alcohol caused more deaths than any one of 31 infectious diseases, some of which are venereal scourges. This does not include deaths in which alcoholism was a contributing factor.

Hospitals for mental patients recorded an increase in first admissions of patients there because of alcohol psychosis. Since several police records of people arrested and held for prosecution because of intoxication or drunken driving, or disorderly conduct has increased.

It would appear that drunk is becoming a national cancer. Remembering the sad experience of the prohibition experiment, the solution goes to the individual's responsibility to himself and to society. DON'T DRINK IF YOU CAN'T TAKE IT. IF YOU CAN, YOUR STRONG ENOUGH TO CONTROL YOUR APPETITE. TO LEAVE IT ALONE OR AT LEAST BE MODERATE WITH THE CUPS OF TREACHERIOUS CIDER.

Mexican Archbishop Vatican, City.—The Most Rev. Guillermo Martinez Cordova, Bishop of San Luis Potosi, has been named Archbishop of Monterrey, Mexico.

Archbishop-elect Tritschler, a native of the town of Saint Andrew, Chihuahua State of Puebla was born July 6, 1878. His father, a German, was given Mexican citizenship in recognition of his services as a volunteer in the War of Intervention in 1847. His mother was a Mexican.

Newfoundland Bishop Dies Quebec.—The Most Rev. Henry Thomas Renouf, Bishop of St. George's Newfoundland, died here at the age of 68. Born at St. John's, Newfoundland he had been Bishop of St. George for more than 20 years.

Flood waster in the southern part of the diocese caused the death of Robert Michalek, a member of St. John's parish and caused St. Peter and Paul's and St. Patrick's schools in Elmira to close. Corvax was more fortunate although water flooded the basement of St. Patrick's Church.

His Excellency the Most Rev. Constantine Bonachewsky, D.D., Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic diocese in the United States, conducted a mission at St. Peter and Paul's Church, Auburn.

World Premiere Set For Movie Of Mass

CHICAGO.—(CNC)—The world premiere of the first sound motion picture ever made of the Catholic Solemn Mass "The Eternal Gift," will be presented by the Servite Fathers at the Chicago City Opera, March 31 and April 1. It was announced by the Rev. Hugh Calkins, O.S.M., in charge of the production.

The Rev. James R. Keane, O.S.M., founder of the Perpetual Novena, has a leading role in the film, as Celebrant of the Mass. The Rt. Rev. Mgr. Fulton J. Sheen noted "Catholic Hour" speaker is featured in the picture as narrator. He tells the history of the Holy Sacrifice, the traditions and significance of the vestments and sacred vessels and the meaning and origin of the ancient signs and prayers used by the celebrant and his assistants.

The Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, appears in the film to give his full approval to this dramatic presentation of the Mass.

The 10-reel film of the Easter Mass was almost two years before the camera and in recording and editing. It was a most difficult task, but the Rev. Hugh Calkins, O.S.M., as Deacon of the Mass, was under the direction of the Rev. Edwin V. Hoover, Musical Director of the Chicago City Opera. It was sound-tracked by members of the world-famous Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the choir from the Holy Name Cathedral and seminarians from the St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein, Ill.

Unquestionably labor strikes hold up the defense program," Father Cronin continues, "but not half as much as they did in 1917, nor any more than they do in England, which is actually at war. Industrial accidents are at least four times as great an obstacle, and sickness among workers over eight times as great. But nevertheless they do impede defense just as the

U. S. Has No Serious Labor Trouble Avers Dr. Cronin

UNION CITY, N. J. (CNC)—Charging that the American public "has been stirred up to a state of almost hysterical condemnation of labor activity in general and strikes in particular," the Rev. John F. Cronin, S.S., of St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, says in the April issue of The Sign magazine that "given an open mind, the labor problem is not insoluble."

Father Cronin says there is no serious labor trouble in the United States today, that in 1940 there was a strike of capital more menacing to defense than all the labor strikes since the war began in September, 1939, that "relatively speaking there are fewer strikes today than in any comparable period in our history," that in fact, man-days lost through strikes in 1940 were less than one-fourth those lost in 1937, and about one-third of those lost in 1938, that "racketeering and Communism are not major issues in the labor union of the present day."

With regard to the second of these issues, Father Cronin says that during 1940, essential defense industries in large number retained to expand plant, submit contracts to government orders, even to accept government orders. He described these conditions as "a 'down strike' until defense bills were given on their terms." He described these conditions as "not in any attempt to show that labor is always right and its employers are always wrong, but to show that a group of exploiters. However, he expresses the belief that since on these matters reveals "based and partisan treatment of labor relations." One-sided reporting of necessity, "class struggle" and "class hatred," the writer states "Capital and labor can get along splendidly," he adds, "once it is acknowledged that an overwhelming majority in each group are decent, God-fearing Americans."

Builds Chimney On Nursery As Thanks To Catholic Nuns

NEW YORK.—The new chimney atop the Keating Day Nursery, conducted here by the Mission Sisters of the Sacred Heart is a modest monument to the charity of Catholic nuns and a father's gratitude.

Tommy K., a bricklayer and his wife, both must work. Until two years ago they left their young sons, Tommy and Frank, in the care of neighbors. Tommy was sickly and underweight, Frank sulky and rebellious without the mother's ministrations.

This problem was solved when the parents gave the children into the care of the Keating Day Nursery and call for them again in the evening, in gratitude Tommy K. built the new chimney on the home. Parents pay a small charge, if they can and if they cannot, the cost is defrayed by the Sisters and the Archdiocesan Catholic Charities.

Monaghan Greater Dies Jarralco, L. J.—The Rt. Rev. Mgr. John S. Greater, Pastor of the Church of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary here, died in the parish rectory of a heart attack. He was 70 years old.

Richard Reid, Georgia lawyer, Catholic newspaper editor and educator, was named recipient of the Leale Medal bestowed annually by the University of Notre Dame.

Feast Days Sunday, Mar. 30.—PASSION SUNDAY. Monday, Mar. 31.—ST. XISTUS. Tuesday, Apr. 1.—ST. HUGH. Wednesday, Apr. 2.—ST. FRANCIS OF PAULA. Thursday, Apr. 3.—ST. RICHARD OF CHICHESTER. Friday, Apr. 4.—SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY. Saturday, Apr. 5.—ST. VINCENT FERRER.

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